

A joint powers authority to protect the Central Groundwater Basin

October 14, 2010

Environmental Protection Agency 75 Hawthorne Street (SFD-6-3) San Francisco, CA 94105

Attention:

Ms. Lynda Deschambault, Remedial Project Manager

Subject:

Omega Chemical Corporation Superfund Site

Dear Ms. Deschambault:

On behalf of the Southeast Water Coalition, I wanted to thank you for taking the time to make a presentation at our Board meeting of October 7th on this very important subject. We appreciate the efforts made by the EPA to seek public comment and understand and agree that a containment strategy needs to be selected and implemented as quickly as possible.

At our meeting the Board expressed a concern that the deadline of October 21st did not allow sufficient time for impacted agencies to consider all aspects of this issue and formulate official positions. In light of that concern, the Board directed me to ask the EPA to extend the comment deadline by thirty calendar days.

I have been advised by SEWC staff that the EPA has agreed to extend the comment deadline to November 22, 2010 in response to the requests made by SEWC and other parties. We appreciate your efforts to this end and look forward to working with the EPA in this regard.

Sincerely,

Joseph D. Serrano, Sr.

Chairman

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Southeast Water Coalition Board of Directors Southeast Water Coalition Administrative Entity